

## 1919 BLUE BOOK ABOUT ILLINOIS JUST OFF PRESS

Most Complete Manual Ever  
Printed by State, Describing  
Remarkable Conditions.

The 1919-20 blue book of Illinois, the first copies of which were delivered to Secretary of State Emmerson, is the most elaborate and complete manual ever issued by the state, covering as it does, one of the most remarkable periods in the life of the state. The publication has been used by Secretary of State Emmerson under whose direction it was prepared, as a vehicle for the preservation of the important events of current history.

The work of the present administration is covered in articles prepared by various department heads and by state officials. Francis W. Shepperson, director of the state department of registration and education, describes the work of the nine state departments created under the administrative code while Omar H. Wright, director of finance, discusses the state's financial operation.

War Work Covered.  
Another series of articles in the volume describes the important part played by Illinois in the world war. Adjutant General Frank S. Dickson covers the military achievements of the state; Samuel Insull, chairman of the state council of defense, describes the work of that organization in marshaling the civilian population for war activity. John G. Oglesby describes the organization of the reserve militia which served the state in the emergency following the calling of the national guard into federal service. Hugh S. Magill, Jr., director of the centennial celebration, describes the use made of the centennial to arouse the people to greater effort in the war. Francis B. Blair, superintendent of public instruction, describes war work in the schools. President Edmund J. James of the university tells of the war activity of that institution. There are also articles by Bishop Samuel Fallows, John H. Walker, former president of state federation; John H. Harrison of Danville; B. F. Harris of Champaign, and S. E. Young, secretary of Farm-

ers' Institute, discussing the war work in the churches, labor and the war, the press and the war, bankers and the war, and the farmer and the war, respectively. Another part of the book is given over to a discussion of the big projects on which the state is entering. These are described in a general way by Frank I. Bennett, director of public works and buildings. They are discussed in more detail in articles by S. E. Bradt, superintendent of highways, who describes the great highway system approved by the state; William L. Sackett, superintendent of waterways, who explains the waterway plan; Edward D. Martin, supervising architect, who discusses the plan for the centennial memorial building; Charles H. Thorne, director of public welfare, who discusses the improvements contemplated in the state institutions.

There are also interesting articles by Mrs. Jesse Palmer Weber, secretary of the state centennial commission, on the centennial celebration; Omar H. Wright, director of finance, on the new tax commission which has taken the place of the state board of equalization; B. M. Davidson, superintendent of state fair, on the new system of managing that institution; and by Charles E. Woodward on the constitutional convention.

The book is profusely illustrated. Among the pictures, in addition to the three groups of state officers, members of legislature, members of congress, etc., are pictures of officers who commanded Illinois soldiers in the service, and other war pictures; designs and architects' drawings of the new centennial building, the waterway plan, and the state highway system; colored plates of the state capital with its newly improved grounds; the state flag; the state tree and flower, etc.

A great many new features have been introduced in this book and the statistical and informative sections have been greatly elaborated. The book is printed on a better grade of paper than has been used in former issues and altogether it presents an artistic appearance.

The publication was edited by Halbert O. Crews, formerly managing editor of the Springfield News-Record.

### ONE YEAR AGO

President Wilson was enthusiastically received in London. American battle fleet was reviewed at New York on its return from Europe.

## AID TO TRADE EXPECTED VIA NEW EDGE LAW

President Signs Measure Aimed at  
Encouragement of Foreign  
Commerce.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—Organization of a number of large foreign banking corporations for the purpose of facilitating the financing of export trade is looked for within the next few weeks as a result of the signing of the Edge bill by President Wilson.

Announcement of the signing of the bill was made yesterday at the White house. The bill, which was enacted after many months of effort on the part of financiers interested in the financing of foreign trade, permits the formation of corporations with a capital of not less than \$2,000,000 to engage in foreign banking business under the supervision of the federal reserve board.

Think Delay Was Handicap.  
The treasury department and the federal reserve board cooperated in the drafting of the bill and government officials expect that it will



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have a beneficial influence. Some of the financial interests which were most enthusiastic about the measure originally, however, are now not so sure that it will be as effective as supposed because of the delay in its passage and various restrictions imposed upon the corporations.

A number of corporations such as are proposed already have been formed under state laws. Some of them may be incorporated under the Edge bill.

Expected to Be Stabilizer.  
One of the purposes of the corporations formed under the Edge bill would be to issue debentures against foreign securities. Such debentures, issued under the supervision of the federal reserve board, it is expected, would be readily salable in this country, whereas the foreign securities would not be easily marketable. Through transactions of this nature the new law is designed to aid in the financing of foreign purchases and to stabilize unsettled exchange conditions.

## AVALANCHES KILL IN SWISS TOWNS

Geneva, Dec. 26.—The avalanche which occurred at the mountain resort of Davos yesterday caused terror among residents and visitors and resulted in a number of deaths in the village itself.

One huge avalanche swept down upon a sanatorium, smashing doors and windows on the first and second stories, killing a Russian woman and her nurse and seriously injuring several others. Many were imprisoned in the upper floors until morning.

Another avalanche fell on the Hotel Excelsior, killing two employees and doing much damage. A third avalanche almost overwhelmed the Pension Germania. Five dead have been taken from this building, but it is feared others are buried under the wreckage.

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Beautiful satin, georgette, crepe de chine, plaid  
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waists; white and colors ..... **\$4.95**

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Your choice of all other Waists—not in-  
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—if you were in charge of a store whose  
policy is always to please the customer, and  
scores of them asked you to start your Great  
20% Discount Sale on Ready-to-wear one  
week earlier than usual?

This is the way we answered that question—

## 20 Percent Discount Sale on women's ready-to-wear starts tomorrow morning

### —6 days ahead of the general 20% Sale

This departure from our usual method of conducting these  
great semi-annual sales effects only the women's ready-to-  
wear section.

It was made to accommodate those women who always re-  
ceive a "Christmas check" and instructions to "buy something  
to wear."

In anticipation of this welcome check, many women have al-  
ready shopped and set their heart on some particular gar-

ment. All have expressed the desire to have the apparel for  
wear during the Holiday week, but naturally want to get the  
price advantage of the "20% Sale."

We have had an overwhelming number of requests to start  
the discount on ready-to-wear immediately after Christmas.  
So to make everyone happy, that's just what we are going to  
do!

With hundreds of women awaiting the start of this sale,  
the necessity of coming early is apparent.

### Starting tomorrow—20% discount on—

Coats Suits Dresses Skirts Waists  
Smocks Middies Knit goods Petticoats  
Kimonos Bath robes Negligees House dresses  
Nurse's uniforms and maid's dresses

Remember please, that in a number of instances the 20%  
will be deducted from prices already greatly reduced. For in-  
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